

CITY OF SPOKANE



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, we gather to honor the remarkable contributions of Sandy Williams, a true champion of justice and community empowerment, whose unwavering dedication inspired countless individuals and transformed our community for the better and her tireless efforts in advocating for social equity and inclusivity resonated deeply, paving the way for future generations to thrive and fostering a united community where every voice is heard; and

WHEREAS, through her leadership and vision, Sandy founded the Carl Maxey Center for community economic empowerment, leading initiatives that uplift the East Central Community, and is the founding editor of The Black Lens, telling the stories of the Black Community that are often overlooked and unheard in mainstream media; and

WHEREAS, Sandy is a co-founder of Spokane Community Against Racism, also known as SCAR, was the first Grand Marshall in the Spokane Pride Parade, and served as a trusted advisor and member of many community-based organizations as a beacon of hope and resilience, reminding us of the impact one individual can have when committed to the welfare of others; and

WHEREAS, we celebrate Sandy Williams as a beloved leader, friend, and mentor, whose spirit will continue to inspire us as we strive to promote justice and empower our community, and it is through her exemplary work that we can use as our guiding light in our community:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of the City of Spokane, on behalf of the people of Spokane, do hereby proclaim September 13, 2026 as

SANDY WILLIAMS DAY OF SERVICE

in Spokane in honor of her birthday, September 13, and encourage that we recommit ourselves to carrying forward Sandy's vision by working collaboratively to build a more equitable society for all, while coming together to engage with one of the many community organizations in Spokane that Sandy touched.

I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of Spokane,
do hereunto set my hand and
cause the seal of the City of Spokane
to be affixed this
24th day of August 2026.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lisa Brown".

Lisa Brown
Mayor

